

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an output image in an image forming system, comprising ~~the steps of~~:

instructing the system to duplicate an original portion of an input document;
receiving producing image data corresponding to an input image on an the
original portion of the input document;

forming a duplicate image of the original portion of the input document; and
reproducing the duplicate image data-a selected number of times on a printing
medium to form said output image.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ selecting the number of times said input image is replicated to form said output image on said printing medium.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~the step of~~ receiving user instructions ~~corresponding to formation of said output image to duplicate only a~~
specific portion of an original document.

5. (Currently Amended) A method of forming an output image in an image forming system, comprising ~~the steps of~~:

obtaining instructions relating to image formation;
obtaining input image data relating to an original portion of an input image and
based at least partially on said instructions; and

forming said output image comprising said original portion of the input image
replicated one or more times on a single printing medium as directed by said instructions.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include communicating with a user ~~through a user interface~~ and receiving user instructions as to duplicate only a specific portion of an original document to form formation of said output image.

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include receiving instructions as to which specific original portion of said input image is to be replicated.

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining instructions ~~step comprises~~include receiving instructions as to a number of replications of said original portion of said input image ~~required~~to be replicated.

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining input image data ~~comprises~~include scanning at least a specific portion of an image to be printed.

10. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein said obtaining input image data ~~comprises~~include receiving a signal from a remote device containing said input image data.

11. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein ~~said forming an the output image step comprises~~include printing said original portion of said input image in a repeated fashion up to a predetermined number in concurrence with said instructions.

12. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, further comprising ~~the step of~~ automatically detecting dimensions of said original portion of said input image and automatically determining ~~said a~~ predetermined number of repeated original portions of said input images able to be printed on a single printing medium.

13. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, further comprising ~~the step of~~ allowing a user to specify an offset for said input image on said printing medium.

14. (Currently Amended) An image forming system, comprising:
an image input stage for receiving image data corresponding to an input image;
a control stage for selecting at least aan original portion of said input image
and replicating said original portion a predetermined number of times to form an output
image; and
an image output stage for producing said output image on a printing medium.
15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage
comprises a user interface for selecting the number of times said original portion of said input
image is replicated in said output image on said printing medium.
16. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage comprises a
user interface for providing printing instructions.
17. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage determines the
number of input image replications that can be produced in said output image on said printing
medium.
18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 14, wherein said control stage can
automatically calculate a maximum number of reproductions of said original portion of said
input image possible for said single printing medium.